Summary of Draft Legislation

Board Member Time Loss

Background:

Members of the LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board serve without compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for reasonable travel and education expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Some public employers require their employees to take leave without pay when they conduct Board business during the regular work schedule. Compensation for lost work must be expressly authorized in statute. The State Investment Board has express authorization for compensating Board members for time loss.

Employers may incur expenses to meet employee coverage requirements if Board members are unable to work their scheduled shift.

Legislation:

The bill provides that a Board member who is a public employee will suffer no loss because of absence from their regular employment as a result of performing their Board duties.

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